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SUBJECT: INCREASED EMPHASIS ON NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION BY POLICE CHIEF

1. APPARENTLY AS A PART OF THE RTG'S EMPHASIS ON
NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION, POLICE DIRECTOR GENERAL
MONCHAI PHANKHONGCHEUN HAS BEGUN TAKING AN INCREASED
PERSONAL INTEREST IN NARCOTICS CASES. AFTER POLICE
ARRESTED THREE MEN WITH 2.45 KILOGRAMS OF NUMBER 4
HEROIN ON MARCH 7, MONCHAI CONDUCTED THE INTERROGATION
HIMSELF. POLICE PRESENT DURING THE QUESTIONING LATER TOLD
A DEA AGENT THAT MONCHAI'S TWO HOUR GRILLING OF THE TRIO
WAS TOUGH AND PROFESSIONAL AND NOT DONE FOR PERSONAL
PUBLICITY. HE WAS ALSO TOLD THAT IT WAS MONCHAI'S OFFICE
WHICH RELEASED DETAILS OF THE ARREST TO THE PRESS,
RESULTING IN A MORE ACCURATE AND DETAILED REPORT IN THE
NEWSPAPER THAN IS NORMALLY THE CASE. MONCHAI HAS
RECENTLY HANDLED OTHER NARCOTICS CASES IN THE SAME
MANNER, EFFECTIVELY DEMONSTRATING HIS CONCERN
WITH NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING TO BOTH THE GENERAL
PUBLIC AND THE TRAFFICKERS THEMSELVES.
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